(ii) Expansion of the TELCO Truck Works.

(iii) Heavy Duty Breakdown Cranes for Indian Railways.

(iv) Hazira Bijaipur - Jagdishpur Gas Pipeline Project.

(v) Yerraguntla Expansion Project (Cement Corporation of India)

(vi) Faraka Thermal Power Plant.

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12 Noon

REFERENCE TO THE FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE DROPPING OF ATOMIC BOMB ON HIROSHIMA

MR. CHAIRMAN: This House recalls that on this day, the 6th August 40 years ago, the first ever atomic bomb was dropped on the city of Hiroshima, killing and maiming hundreds of thousands of defenceless, innocent men, women and children and even unborn generations.

The subsequent, unbridled nuclear arms race among the nuclear weapon powers has brought humankind and human civilisation to the brink of extinction.

It is the right and duty of all peoples throughout the world to raise their voice against the nuclear menace and to call for an immediate end to this senseless and criminal nuclear race which, in addition to the threat of total annihilation of all of us, also results in diversion of precious resources from the urgent needs of development.

The House resolves to observe a minute of silence in memory of the victims of Hiroshima and further to continue to lend its firm support to all forces working to achieve progress in nuclear disarmament.

(Hon. Members then stood in silence for one minute)

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE

Report and Accounts (1984) of the National Insurance Company Ltd., Calcutta and related papers

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): Sir, I beg to lay on the Table, under sub-section (1) of section 619A of the Companies Act, 1956, a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following papers:—

(i) Seventy-eighth Annual Report and Accounts of the National Insurance Company Limited, Calcutta, for the year ended the 31st December, 1984, together with the Auditors' Report on the Accounts and the comments of the Comptroller and Auditor General of India thereon.

(ii) Statement by Government accepting the above Report.

(Placed in the Library. See LT- 1249|85 for (i) and (ii)].

Notifications of the Ministry of Steel, Mines and Coal (Department of Steel)

THE MINISTER OF STEEL IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): Sir I beg to lay on the Table, under sub-section (6), of section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955, a copy each (in English and Hindi) of the following Notifications of the Ministry of Steel, Mines and Coal (Department of Steel):—

(i) S.O. No. 507(E)|ESS|Iron and Steel, dated the 4th July, 1985, publishing the Iron and Steel (Control) (Amendment) Order, 1985.

(ii) S.O. No. 508(E)|ESS|Iron and Steel-2A, dated the 4th July, 1985, regarding imposition of end use restrictions to ensure that iron and steel is used according to the conditions governing its acquisition or supply.

(Placed in the Library See No. LT-1251/85 for (i) and (ii)].